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Re: Application of Takuo SONE, Katsutoshi NONAKA, Iwakazu HATTORI and  
Akio TAKASHIMA  
METHOD OF PRODUCING CONJUGATED DIENE POLYMERS  
**Assignee: JSR CORPORATION**  
Our Ref: Q79484

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 09/033,685 (Confirmation No.2387) filed March 3, 1998 of Takuo SONE, Katsutoshi NONAKA, Iwakazu HATTORI and Akio TAKASHIMA originally entitled METHOD OF PRODUCING CONJUGATED DIENE POLYMERS.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, an Information Disclosures Statement and PTO Form SB/08, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1713.

The entire disclosure of the prior application, application number 09/033,685, filed March 3, 1998, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation application and is hereby incorporated by reference.

Priority is also claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	9-65607	March 5, 1997
Japan	9-203932	July 15, 1997

The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 09/033,685.

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Continuation Application of Pending  
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The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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